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For: Continuous Ceramic Composite Plating Method And Apparatus

For Long Doctor Blade Materials)

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application prior to examination thereof in the manner indicated below.

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.111)

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(a):

On page 1, before "1. Field of the Invention", insert

## -- RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of Application Ser. No. 09/469,555, filed December 22, 1999, which is a divisional of Application Ser. No. 08/964,246, filed November 4, 1997. --